#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project July 11, 2012

**Project Number** CA-12-850

**Project Name** Township Nine Affordable Housing

Site Address: North 7th Street

Sacramento, CA 95811 County: Sacramento

Census Tract: 53.0

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$1,471,419 \$0 Recommended: \$1,471,419 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: T9 Affordable Housing Associates LLC

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): UrbanCore-Integral LLC

JSCO T9 LLC

General Partner Type: For Profit

Developer: T9 Affordable Housing Associates LLC

Investor/Consultant: RBC Capital Markets

Management Agent: The John Stewart Company

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: New Construction

Total # Residential Buildings: 1 Total # of Units: 180

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 178 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt / HOME

HCD MHP Funding: No 55-Year Use/Affordability: Yes

Number of Units @ or below 35% of area median income: 3 Number of Units @ or below 50% of area median income: 33 Number of Units @ or below 60% of area median income: 142

### **Bond Information**

Issuer: Housing Authority of the City of Sacramento

Expected Date of Issuance: October 2012

Credit Enhancement: None

### **Information**

Housing Type: Non-Targeted

Geographic Area: Capital and Northern Region

TCAC Project Analyst: Gina Ferguson

# **Unit Mix**

90 1-Bedroom Units 90 2-Bedroom Units

180 Total Units

_ Unit	t Type & Number	2012 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income	2012 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent (including utilities)
2	1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$428
16	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$713
72	1 Bedroom	60%	59%	\$836
1	2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$513
17	2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$856
70	2 Bedrooms	60%	59%	\$1,005
2	2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$909

# **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$39,126,049
Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$37,749,113
Estimated Commercial Project Cost \$1,376,936
Per Unit Cost: \$209,717

**Construction Financing** 

# **Permanent Financing**

Source Amor	unt	Source	Amount
Citi Community Capital - Tax-Exempt Bonds	\$19,000,000	Citi Community Capital	\$10,965,000
Sacramento Housing & Redevelopment Agency	\$4,800,000	SHRA	\$4,800,000
SHRA loan accrued interest	\$288,000	SHRA loan accrued interest	\$288,000
City of Sacramento	\$6,200,000	City of Sacramento	\$6,200,000
Seller loan	\$1,000,000	Seller loan	\$1,000,000
Deferred Developer Fee	\$2,300,000	Deferred Developer Fee	\$717,433
Tax Credit Equity	\$4,240,506	Tax Credit Equity	\$15,155,616
		TOTAL	\$39,126,049

#### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis: \$35,373,356 130% High Cost Adjustment: Yes Applicable Fraction: 100.00% **Qualified Basis:** \$45,985,363 Applicable Rate: 3.20% Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit: \$1,471,419 Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis): \$2,500,000 Investor/Consultant: **RBC** Capital Markets Federal Tax Credit Factor: \$1.03000

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

### **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$35,373,356 Actual Eligible Basis: \$35,373,356 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$35,555,760 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$48,711,391

#### **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

Parking Beneath Residential Units

95% of Upper Floor Units are Elevator-Serviced

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 18%

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 2% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted at 35% AMI or Below: 2%

#### **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses are below the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations by a minimal amount; the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Refer to Special Issues section below. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 3.20% of the qualified basis. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

#### **Special Issues/Other Significant Information:**

Staff noted that the pro forma annual operating expenses were less than the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations by a minimal amount. The project owner must show that this requirement is met when submitting a placed-in-service package prior to the issuance of 8609 tax forms.

### **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual \$1,471,419 State Tax Credits/Total \$0

#### **Standard Conditions**

If applicant is receiving tax-exempt bond financing from other than CalHFA, the applicant shall apply for a bond allocation from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee's next scheduled meeting, if not previously granted an allocation; shall have received an allocation from CDLAC; and, shall issue bonds within time limits specified by CDLAC.

The applicant anticipates financing more than 50% of the project aggregate basis with tax-exempt bond proceeds as calculated by the project tax professional. Therefore, the federal credit reserved for this project will not count against the annual ceiling.

The IRS has advised TCAC that the amount of tax-exempt bonds issued, equivalent to at least 50% of aggregate basis, must remain in place through the first year of the credit period or until eligible basis is finally determined.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a reservation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

**Additional Conditions:** None